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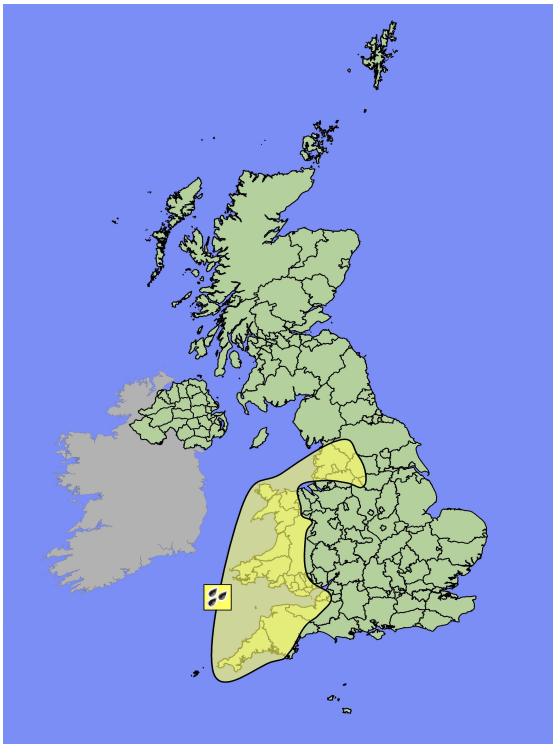

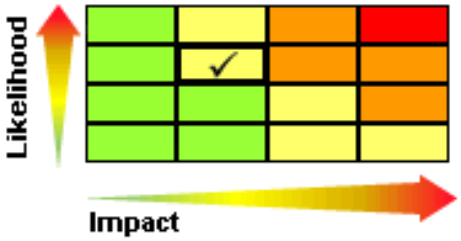

Chief Forecasters Assessment
A further 15-25 mm (locally 40 mm over high ground), of rain is likely across Wales, western parts of northern England and locally across southwest England (mainly Exmoor, northwest Devon, Dartmoor and Bodmin) during Wednesday night and at first on Thursday morning. Falling onto already saturated ground and following the recent heavy rain, localised flooding is possible, this risk continuing well into Thursday as the rise in river levels will continue after the rain has cleared. The westerly wind will also increase for a time, with gusts of 60-70 mph likely to affect exposed hills and coasts overnight and at first on Thursday.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Warning** of **Rain**

Valid from **00:00 on Thu, 05th Jan 2012** until **18:00 on Thu, 05th Jan 2012**

Persistent and at times heavy rain accompanied by gales and locally severe gales, already affecting western parts of northern England and much of Wales, will extend into parts of southwest England during Wednesday night. The rain will clear to the south early on Thursday, but the public should be aware of the continued risk of localised flooding due to rising river levels well into the day.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/uk/uk_forecast_warnings.html

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